MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

BROOKLYN CITY COUNCIL

<u>March 27, 2017</u> 7:00 p.m.

Present: Tony DeMarco

Debbie Tomusko Mary Balbier Kevin Tanski Barb Paulitzky Ron Van Kirk

Absent: Kathy Pucci

Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by Tanski, second by Van Kirk to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017. Councilwoman Paulitzky corrected the spelling of a name 'Dunleavey' in committee reports. **VOTE RESULTED**: *To approve, as corrected:* Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. **(APPROVED)**

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Gallagher presented the following Mayor's Proclamations on behalf of the Mayor, Council and residents:

"To honor and recognize the Brooklyn High School Varsity Hockey Team on an outstanding championship 2016-2017 season" for 22 wins, 3 losses, and earned titles for divisions. Coach Kelber came up with the Brooklyn Hockey team members present to accept the Proclamation.

"To honor and recognize Brooklyn High School sophomore Seth Majewski on being an OHSAA wrestling state qualifier for the 2016-2017 season" for a season 41 wins and 11 losses. Seth accepted his Proclamation.

"To honor and recognize Brooklyn High School junior Andrew Zarins on being an OHSAA wrestling state qualifier for the 2016-2017 season" for a season 42 wins and losses. Andrew was unable to attend the mtg.

"To honor and recognize Brooklyn High School sophomore Marchello Carrossellia on being an OHSAA bowling state qualifier for the 2016-2017 season" with an average of 191, and many qualifiers and placing. Marchello accepted his Proclamation.

The Mayor thanked everyone for coming for these honors.

Council President Van Kirk also congratulated and thanked those honored, and their parents. –Agenda items: liquor permit request; still in abeyance (Ord. 2015-77, Res. 2016-5, Ord. 2016-32.) –Old business: Ord. 2017-22 (3rd reading), Authorize Mayor to enter into agreement with Cost Recovery Corp., LLC for billing/related services attributed to Fire Dept. incidents; Ord. 2017-23 (3rd reading), Amend Section 1360(b) License Application Form and Fee of Codified Ords.; Ord. 2017-24 (3rd reading), Authorize a contract modification (Change Order #6) with Eclipse Construction LLC for Tiedeman Rd. project for \$28,335; Ord. 2017-25 (3rd reading), Amend Sections 143.02(a) and (b) of Codified Ords., "EMS Service Charges.'; Ord. 2017-26 (2nd reading), Repealing Ord. 2014-43, adopted 7/10/14, 'Approving and authorizing Mayor to execute a Community Reinvestment Area Tax Agreement with Trinity Landholdings at the estimated cost of \$21,000,000 plus; Ord. 2017-27 (2nd reading), Amend Sect. 131.04, 'Authority to dispose of unwanted personal property, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brooklyn; Ord. 2017-28 (2nd reading), Authorizing Mayor enter into service agreement with Bailey Comm. to provide maintenance of network, software, support and other related services for the City of Brooklyn. –New business: Res. 2017-6, In support of the City of Brooklyn's Planned Unit Development (PUD) District overlay zoning measure (Issue 3)

on the May 2, 2017 ballot; Ord. 2017-29, Amend Rule 14 of Rules of Council, Order of Business, codified pursuant to Sect. 121.22 of the Codified Ordinances; Ord. 2017-30, Authorize contract modification (change order 7 and 8) with Eclipse Co. LLC for Tiedeman Rd. Project for \$32,147.08; Ord. 2017-31, Amend Sections 1 and 3 of Ord. 2017-3, "Establishing Soza Fitness and Wellness Comm. Partner Rates for certain programs at the Recreation Center and Natatorium"; Ord. 2017-32, Amend Sect. 2 of Ord. 2006-53, "Establishing a city ice time and admission rate for persons using city ice for figure skating purposes only"; Ord. 2017-33, Amend Sect. 1 of Ord. 2006-19, "Providing for fees for a summer figure skating program at the Recreation Center"; Ord. 2017-34, Authorize purchase of two 2017 Ford Interceptor sedans from Bob Gillingham Ford, along with ancillary equipment and decaling for use by Brooklyn Police Dept. for total cost of \$75,805.57; Ord. 2017-35, Expressing consent of the City of Brooklyn pursuant to Section 4933.16 of the Ohio Revised Code for Cleveland Public Power to construct distribution facilities within the City of Brooklyn and granting a non-exclusive franchise to CPP to provide electricity services to customers in Brooklyn, providing that the requirements of all applicable code and any related agreements are met.

PUBLIC SESSION:

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS & BOARDS:

Recreation Board (Councilwoman Balbier): The Board met March 20th and spoke about the Energy Audit. Stated some figures on how much money is spent at the Rec Center: annual cost of electricity at Rec Center is \$295,837 (\$24,653 average monthly); at the pool it's \$48,579 (\$4,048 average monthly); at the rink it's \$251,284. They also discussed day passes. The upstairs offices are being moved to the main floor, giving extra room for classes on second floor. They'll add a small kitchen for a little community room. The spring Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 8th at 11 a.m., register at the Senior Center at 10:30 (ages 6 and under, rain or shine, bring a basket.) More information at 351-5334. The next Board meeting is April 19th (Wednesday) at 7 p.m.

Domestic Abuse Commission (Councilwoman Paulitzky): The Comm. met March 22nd with guest speaker Kristen Dunleavey, training specialist and Justice System advocate. Brooklyn is among the minority of cities having domestic abuse legislation (since 2001, thanks to former Councilwoman Colleen Gallagher's awareness of this issue). She trains law enforcement to effectively interact with victims, so not to cause additional trauma in this situation. She shared facts: one in five females experience domestic abuse; dangerous situations for responding police officers; 75% of victims wanting to leave result in a lethal outcome; 82% of men who saw it at home will do it; schools should be proactive and intervene in noticing child abuse and bullying; and others.

Bd. of Zoning Appeals (Comm. Kulcsar): The Board met March 16th and heard a request from L. Koltiska of 6511 Glencoe for a 3 foot height variance for a fence in side yard adjacent to neighbors (5 foot fence proposed two feet away from the home). The Bd. approved the request. After the meeting was a work session to go over potential changes to the Zoning Code. The next Board meeting is April 20th at 6 p.m. in the conference room.

Planning Commission (Councilman DeMarco): The Commission will meet April 6th at 6 p.m. in the conference room to hear: a request from M. Weber for an amendment to the parking lot plan approval from May 7, 2015 for 8459 and 8575 Memphis (PP#432-24-001).

Sustainability Advisory Committee (Councilman Tanski): The Comm. met March 23 rd with Mike Foley, Dir of Sustainability for Cuyahoga County, Mayor Gallagher, and all committee members. The city's landfill is vacant and unusable for many years. The Comm. members have pursued solar or wind power for this land. He's had numerous meetings the last few months with Mr. Foley to turn the landfill into a solar farm. The County would take power from the solar panels that would be placed on the landfill and power up to 17 county buildings. The County will pay \$18,000/year rent for the next 20 years to the City of Brooklyn. Cleveland Public Power would run a line to the landfill, allowing CPP to start offering their electricity to some residents off of Memphis, and also cheaper power to the city buildings. There would be two choices of

electric for them: CPP or CEI. Some residents already benefit from CPP. There is an option in the future to add more panels on the existing solar farm at the landfill to produce sustainability for our city buildings. The Committee unanimously recommended to Council for approval Ord. 2017-35.

Finance Committee (Councilman Van Kirk): The Comm. met at 6:15. Items for 3rd reading/adoption: Ord. 2017-22, for an agreement with Cost Recovery Corp. for billing and related services for Fire Dept. incidents (allows to bill insurance carriers for resources during a motor vehicle accident, such as apparatus, personnel for time spent on scene, in 15 minute increments); Ord. 2017-23, Amend 1360(b) License Application Form and Fee of Codified Ords (for annual dwelling license fee); Ord. 2017-24, Authorize contract modification (Change Order #6) with Eclipse LLC for the Tiedeman Rd project for \$28,335; Ord. 2017-25, Amend Sect. 143.02 (a) & (b) of Codified Ords., 'EMS Service Charges' (non-transport fees added). New business: Ord. 2017-30, Authorize contract modification (Change Order 7 & 8) with Eclipse Co. for the Tiedeman Rd. project for \$32,147.08 (looking for more information from Eclipse for next mtg); Ord. 2017-31, Amend Sect. 1 & 3 of Ord. 2017-3, 'Establishing Soza Fitness & Wellness (community partner) rates for certain programs at the Rec Center (looking for emergency passage for upcoming advertising of classes – this allows a yearly membership fee, and additional rates); Ord. 2017-32, Amend Sect. 2 of Ord 2006-53, 'Establishing a city ice time and admission rates for persons using city ice for figure skating purposes' (changes walk-up session ranges); Ord. 2017-33, Amend Sect. 1 of Ord. 2006-19, 'Providing for fees for summer figure skating program at Rec Center' (changes summer figure skating fees); Ord. 2017-34, Authorize purchase of two 2017 Ford Interceptor sedans from Gillingham Ford for total cost of \$75,805.57 (looking for emergency passage because pricing expires; one paid from Capital fund, the other from Federal Drug Forfeiture Fund); Ord. 2017-35, Expressing consent of City of Brooklyn pursuant to Sect. 4933.16 of Ohio Revised Code for Cleveland Public Power to construct distribution facilities within the City of Brooklyn and granting a nonexclusive franchise to CPP to provide electricity to certain customers in Brooklyn, provided they meet all codes and any related agreements (authorize CPP to construct in City's right-of-way and the franchise to provide power to certain customers – with the plan to run line from current location at W. 63rd/Memphis underground to connect to potential solar farm on the landfill. This Ordinance works with the County and City and a private firm to bring it all together.)

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Tony DeMarco: Congratulated all the athletes on great accomplishments. Good to know Brooklyn still has a thriving wrestling program. For those who know the Heil family, their grandson became a National Champion the second year in a row, undefeated for Oklahoma State (he wrestled with his father at Brooklyn.)

Debbie Tomusko: Echoed congratulations to the athletes. Added so much that goes on in the school system, including recent drama, has a lot of excellence, and good to see young people involved in things beyond academics. It helps with time management, discipline, and other things needed in future career. Thanked again those who took time to complete the surveys the city sent out (and were on the web). Results were received, with a good number of results, to have a sufficient sample to consider what is revealed as being valid. Results are on the website, and on April 3rd at 6 p.m. there will be a special mtg. (all are invited to attend) where the results will be discussed. -There's been one session on the PUD issue on May ballot, and was well attended with excellent questions. It's critical to get the facts and correct information about what's going on with the zoning change and Planned Unit Development. The next meeting is tomorrow (March 28) at 6 p.m. at the Community-Senior Center. It also helps her as a Councilmember to listen to the questions and input, to get feedback on the efforts. There will be two more sessions after that. Ask our Econ. Dev. Director about what is being planned, as opposed to rumors going on. -The Polaris Career Fair (with almost 75 companies with job openings- healthcare, manufacturing services, construction, apprentice opportunities...) is March 29th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Dress for interviewing and bring resume. It's well attended, suggests coming very early. —A friend passed away, Joanna Viancourt, from a variety of illnesses and difficulties. Spoke of many attributes and characteristics, and recognized her. -Today is her 60th birthday, and wished herself a happy birthday.

Mary Balbier: Thanked and congratulated all the young men for coming and their athletic ability. They also have dedicated parents. Most who do well at athletics are better in academics. —Thanked Mr. Rini on

Roadoan, always elaborately decorated for the holidays, for seeing him putting up his Easter decorations. He does a great job and she personally thanks him.

Kevin Tanski: Youth Opportunities program has begun, helping ages 14-24 find summer jobs. Information and requirements are available at www.youthopportunities.org. Registration closes May 1st at 5 p.m. —Congratulated the hockey players, wrestlers and bowling for a job well done. Winning isn't everything, but it does feel quite good. —Wished Councilwoman Tomusko a happy birthday.

Barb Paulitzky: Attended the spaghetti dinner March 18th, with a good turnout, with good food and raffle baskets. —Congratulated all the teams. Last month the School Bd. met the hockey team at their meeting, with one girl on the team, and found that amazing. Said Ryan Kelber is an asset to our community for all the sports teams. —Also mentioned Joana Viancourt, also as Joanna Kleppel; adding she appreciated her other talent of singing, where she heard her at a wedding. She will miss her. —Last Wednesday her church, St. Bridget, hosted the Mystery of the Shroud of Turin, by a local speaker, David M. Onysko. He can be contacted for a brochure or speaking engagement at www.manintheshroud.org or onyskod@yahoo.com or 216-688-0040.

Ron Van Kirk: Last Tuesday sat in on the City Center strategic planning session. The City Center plan is moving along, and Geiss and the several residents tasked to sit on that commission are doing a wonderful job. He looks forward to seeing their completed plan to propose to the Council and City. It's exciting times in the city; when the plans come out hopefully the citizens will agree as well. Thanks for those residents spending a lot of time working on the plan. —Last Thursday he attended the Charter Review Commission's mtg. He served on the Committee when it met six years ago. He's grateful for those serving now. He went to listen and observe, but was privileged to answer some questions asked by the Committee. It's an arduous process, going through the Charter and suggestion changes, but it's necessary. He's thankful for the citizens who volunteered their time to serve. -On the Agenda is legislation he's proposed, Res. 2017-6, which is in support of the City's Planned Unit Development District Overlay Zoning measure on May 2nd ballot. Council passed Ord. 2017-1 earlier with no dissenting votes. This legislation will show Council is unified on this important zoning initiative. Community meetings to discuss it have begun, and the feedback has been positive. There are three remaining mtgs: Tomorrow at 6 p.m. at Senior Center; Tues., April 4th at 6 p.m. at Senior Center; Wed., April 19th at 6 p.m. at Senior Center. Please attend to get questions answered and see how the PUD will benefit the city in the future. He's excited to see PUD added to the Zoning Code and seeing new development it can bring. -He's proposed Ord. 2017-29, which amends Rule 14 of Rules of Council, Order of Business. The rule change adds prayer to Council's agenda for the start of each Council meeting. He e-mailed each Councilmember with the idea and received positive and wonderful feedback. Councilwoman Tomusko recommended inviting one member of clergy from Brooklyn's churches per Council meeting to open our meetings in prayer. He thinks it's a good idea and if passed, that's how we will start. Then on a rotating basis, Councilmembers who wish to participate, may invite the person of their choice to open our meeting in prayer. Once the rule change is passed Council mtgs. will begin with prayer, followed by Pledge of Allegiance, and then continue into mtg. He thinks this is appropriate, and thanks Councilmembers for their support. Both ordinances are on first reading, but he'd like to take votes at next mtg. -Change Order for Tiedeman. Thanked Dir. Verba and Butler for additional insight and due diligence. -Asmentioned, April 3rd will be a mtg. to discuss the survey results at 6 p.m. Dir. Schaeffer and the Administration have been going through the 103 page document, and will have a snapshot of it, and answer questions and discuss. The community is welcome to come and hear, in the conference room. congratulated the hockey team, the two wrestlers, and the bowler. He agrees the athletes do a great job, but the parents are the heroes behind the scene. Congratulated Mr. Kelber on the entire sports program in Brooklyn.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Gallagher: As mentioned, a Planned Unit Development mtg. tomorrow at 6 p.m., as well as April 4th and April 13th – at 6 p.m. at the Senior-Community Center. —April 8th the Chamber of Commerce hosts the 10th annual Taste of Brooklyn and All That Jazz at 7 p.m. Cost is \$15 and includes food, drinks and entertainment. Money is donated back to the schools. Info on the Chamber's website. —Annual Cuyahoga County Bd. of Health released their report for Brooklyn, sent to Council as an e-mail, along with the County report relating to our contract with them on sewer maintenance agreements. It can be seen on your real

estate assessments. If anyone wants to review a report, the city can make them available at request. —The city joined other cities in a lawsuit on Senate Bill 331, for small cell towers in right-of-way; case is City of Hudson vs State of Ohio (case #CV-2007-03-1103), along with Brooklyn and 30 other local communities and 10 additional contemplating joining. 100 municipalities statewide are doing some kind of complaint against this Senate Bill. —The Northshore Energy Audit. They are a broker the city has used in the past to broker rates for the Rec Center and street lighting. The assessment was done for free. We use a broker because the high capacity level at the Rec Center doesn't qualify us for reduced rates under NOPEC, so they help us shop the rates. It was a very helpful report, especially in learning that 86% of the electricity costs come from the rink side. —Thanked ODOT for fixing the fence along 480 bridge. Brooklyn is responsible for the maintenance of it under a 1970 ordinance; the Service Dir. has been trying to find a contractor to repair it, but they didn't want to take on the liability as it was tilting over the highway. ODOT finally came and fixed it for us, free of charge.

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

Recreation Mgr. McGinty: Thanked Texas Roadhouse for their generous donation of 100 plastic eggs and 100 coupons for free kids meals (with adult meal purchase) to be used for the spring egg hunt on April 8th.

Finance Dir. Schaeffer: Won't repeat what has already been said. Happy to report the results of the community survey are posted on the city's website, www.brooklynohoi.gov, click on tab 'What's New' and it will bring up the 103 pages of results, as well as the open ended questions and suggestions. Next Monday at 6 p.m. they will take a deeper dive into what the results mean, and prioritize some of the services the city provides.

Fire Chief Zemek: Announced that on June 25, 2016 our paramedics and fire fighters responded to an industrial accident where a man suffered a severe crush injury and multiple trauma. They were able to resuscitate him, handle the multiple trauma. He nominated them for the state award, Star of Life; they will be presented with that award on May 24th in Columbus.

Bldg. Comm. Kulcsar: Reminds residents that new to our website is a contractor database. With a recent storm, several homes need roofers, siders, and repairs; some require permits, and use a registered contractor (their insurance is on file with the city). If anyone has questions contact the Building Dept.

REQUESTS:

Request for a liquor permit transfer, a name change (From high Point to Sunoco at 4295 Tiedeman). **MOTION** by Tanski, second by Paulitzky for a position of no objection. **VOTE RESULTED**: *No objection*: Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky. Abstain: Van Kirk. No: None. *(NO OBJECTION)*

LEGISLATION:

ORDINANCE 2017-22, Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Cost Recovery Corp LLC for billing and related services attributed to Fire Dept. incidents. **MOTION** by Van Kirk, second by Tanski to adopt. **VOTE RESULTED**: *To adopt:* Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. **(ADOPTED)**

ORDINANCE 2017-23, Amending Sect. 1360(b) License Application Form and Fee of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brooklyn, Ohio. **MOTION** by Tanski, second by Paulitzky to adopt. **VOTE RESULTED**: *To adopt:* Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. **(ADOPTED)**

ORDINANCE 2017-24, Authorizing a contract modification (Change Order 6) with Eclipse Construction, LLC for Tiedeman Road Project (PID 95548) in the amount of \$28,335 **MOTION** by Paulitzky, second by Tanski to adopt. **VOTE RESULTED**: *To adopt:* Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. *(ADOPTED)*

ORDINANCE 2017-25, To amend Section 143.02(a) and (b) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brooklyn, Ohio entitled 'EMS Service Charges'. **MOTION** by Tanski, second by Van Kirk to adopt. **VOTE RESULTED**: *To adopt:* Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. **(ADOPTED)**

ORDINANCE 2017-26, Repealing Ord. 2014-43, adopted 7/10/14, 'Approving and authorizing Mayor to execute a Community Reinvestment Area Tax Agreement with Trinity Landholdings at the estimated cost of \$21,000,000 plus. *(SECOND READING)*

ORDINANCE 2017-27, To amend Sect. 131.04, 'Authority to dispose of unwanted personal property, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Brooklyn. *(SECOND READING)*

ORDINANCE 2017-28, Authorizing the Mayor to enter into service agreement with Bailey Communications to provide maintenance of network, software, support and other related services for the City of Brooklyn. *(SECOND READING)*

RESOLUTION 2017-6, In support of the City of Brooklyn's Planned Unit Development (PUD) District overlay zoning measure (Issue 3) on the May 2, 2017 ballot. (President Van Kirk read the legislation in its entirety). *(FIRST READING)*

ORDINANCE 2017-29, Amending Rule 14 of Rules of Council, Order of Business, Codified pursuant to Sect. 121.22 of the Codified Ordinances. *(FIRST READING)*

MOTION by Balbier, second by DeMarco to hold this legislation in abeyance so it can be discussed when Council resumes its Organizational mtg. Councilwoman Tomusko agreed, that there are some changes in how mtgs. are run that she'd like to suggest; and then have one meeting where they can all be talked about and then vote as one thing. **VOTE RESULTED**: *To hold in abeyance*: Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier. No: Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. *(FIRST READING)*

Councilman Tanski asked if we went through this already. Council President Van Kirk said we've already had two organization mtgs. Councilmembers DeMarco, Balbier and Tomusko said no. Councilman DeMarco said the rules of Council haven't been gone through yet.

ORDINANCE 2017-30, Authorize contract modification (Change Order 7 & 8) with Eclipse Co. for the Tiedeman Rd. project for \$32,147.08. *(FIRST READING)*

ORDINANCE 2017-31, Amending Sect. 1 & 3 of Ord. 2017-3, 'Establishing Soza Fitness & Wellness (community partner) rates for certain programs at the John M. Coyne Recreation Center and Natatorium. **MOTION** by Van Kirk, second by Tanski to suspend the rules. **VOTE RESULTED**: Suspend the rules: Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. *To adopt:* Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. *(ADOPTED)*

ORDINANCE 2017-32, Amending Sect. 2 of Ord 2006-53, 'Establishing a city ice time and admission rates for persons using city ice for figure skating purposes'. *(FIRST READING)*

ORDINANCE 2017-33, Amending Sect. 1 of Ord. 2006-19, 'Providing for fees for summer figure skating program at Rec Center'. *(FIRST READING)*

ORDINANCE 2017-34, Authorizing the purchase of two 2017 Ford Interceptor sedans from Gillingham Ford along with the ancillary equipment and decaling for the use by the Brooklyn Police Dept. for total cost of \$75,805.57. Councilman DeMarco asked how many miles the vehicle that we're trading in have. Chief Mielke did not know off the top of his head. Councilman DeMarco asked, with the bigger engine it has, why we wouldn't keep it and get rid of some other. The Chief replied it's not a street... Councilman DeMarco asked how many miles a director will put on it in a year. The Chief said it's not that, it's the maintenance and valving. **MOTION** by Tanski, second by Van Kirk to suspend the rules. **VOTE RESULTED**: Suspend the rules: Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. *To adopt:* Yes: DeMarco, Tomusko, Balbier, Tanski, Paulitzky, Van Kirk. No: None. *(ADOPTED)*

ORDINANCE 2017-35, Expressing consent of City of Brooklyn pursuant to Sect. 4933.16 of Ohio Revised Code for Cleveland Public Power to construct distribution facilities within the City of Brooklyn and granting a non-exclusive franchise to CPP to provide electricity to certain customers in Brooklyn, provided they meet all codes and any related agreements. *(FIRST READING)*

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